GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
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Deadline to Complete Electrification
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether he made an announcement that all the villages in the country would be electrified by the end of 2016 instead of the previous deadline of May, 2017;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps being taken to achieve this target?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR POWER,
COAL, NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY AND MINES

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) to (c) : As reported by the States, there were 18,452 un-electrified census villages in the country, as on 01.04.2015. Out of these un-electrified villages, 9,176 villages have been electrified as on 26.07.2016 and all the remaining un-electrified villages are targeted to be electrified by May, 2018.

For electrification of all the villages, a time bound implementation schedule has been drawn in consultation with the States. Electrification process has been divided into 12 milestones and they are monitored at multiple levels including Ministry of Power, States and Power Distribution Companies. Ministry of Power reviews the situation every month in Review, Planning & Monitoring (RPM) meeting and takes proactive actions to handhold the States for completing the target.

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